

# Unveiling of Ogilvie Statue Recalls Brilliant Career

**HOBART, Thursday.**—A statue to the memory of Tasmania's Premier from 1934 till 1939, the late Mr. A. G. Ogilvie, was unveiled by the Premier (Mr. Cosgrove) at a ceremony in Parliament Square this afternoon.

The seven-foot statue, surmounting a seven-foot pedestal, depicts the late Premier as he appeared, wigged and gowned as a member of the legal profession and Tasmania's first K.C.

The figure was sculpted by Mr. Hammond, of Melbourne.

Among to-day's gathering were Mrs. Ogilvie, widow of the late Premier, and his brother, Mr. E. J. Ogilvie, who is Industrial Registrar, while the Federal Minister for Health and Social Services (Senator M'Kenna) and Mr. F. X. Heerey, of Hobart, who, with the Treasurer (Mr. Madden), comprised the statue committee, were also present.

In unveiling the statue, the Premier (Mr. Cosgrove), who is the only present member who was in Mr. Ogilvie's Cabinet, said Mr. Ogilvie's career had been most important as far as the State was concerned, and he would be long remembered for the works which would live after him.

He had left his mark on the political life of the State at a time when the struggle for em-

ployment was acute, and great assistance had been extended to primary producers to overcome their difficulties.

The foundation laid in that five years had been the basis of the State's subsequent progress.

Among his works was the investment of £500,000 in the Boyer newsprint industry, which had developed into one the State's great

assets and had caused the growth of the New Norfolk area; the initiation of Tasmania's free medical service, which had been the first of its kind in Australia; the Mount Wellington road; and the groundwork for education, which had enabled present children of the State to enjoy a standard equal to anything in Australia.

Mr. Cosgrove hoped the statue would comfort Mr. Ogilvie's widow and daughter, Pat, and that it would serve as an inspiration to future Tasmanians to serve their State as Mr. Ogilvie had done.

Born at Hobart in 1891, Mr. Ogilvie was educated at Buckland and later at St. Patrick's College, Ballarat. Subsequently he studied law at the University of Tasmania and received tuition at St. Virgil's College. He graduated in 1913 and in the same year passed his final law examinations.

Articled to the firm of Ewing and Hodgman, he was admitted to the bar in 1914 at the age of 23 years, and then joined the late Mr. T. A. Okines in a legal partnership.

He was elected as member for Franklin in 1919, then being the youngest Parliamentarian in Australia.

In 1923 he was appointed Attorney-General and Minister for Education in Mr. J. A. Lyon's Ministry, also handling mines and forests.

On the departure of Mr. Lyon to Federal politics in 1928, he became Leader of the Opposition and became Premier when Labor came to power in 1934.

He died on June 10, 1939, at Warrurton (Victoria) while he was

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